Despite the technical reasons, which may now permit the use of a cell phone in an airplane when airborne, as a user of cell phones that would economically benefit from the ability to use cell phones on airplanes when airborne, I strenuously object to any use of cell phones on airplanes when airborne that would permit oral conversations. It is far too intrusive in a relatively confined space.

Use of laptops with wireless connections, text messaging on cell phones and the use of Blackberry like devices would be immensely valuable if allowed, IF and only IF the phones had to silently signal an incoming call on board when airborne and oral conversations on cell phones were strictly prohibited in the aircraft when airborne.

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